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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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| Application Number     | 09/496,491                |
| Filing Date            | February 2, 2000          |
| First Named Inventor   | Detlef Groth              |
| Art Unit               | 1732                      |
| Examiner Name          | Mathieu D. Vargot         |
| Attorney Docket Number | Beiersdorf-606-WCC0176056 |

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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

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- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☒ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on July 14, 2003
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☐ Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply      iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)      08/08/2003 EFLDRES 00000158 141263 09496491
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)      01 FC:1801 750.00 DA
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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| Name (Print / Type) | Bruce S. Londa | Registration No. (Attorney / Agent) | 33,531 |
| Signature           |                | Date                                | 8/4/03 |

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| Name (Print / Type) | Deanna Lee Noe | Date | August 4, 2003 |
| Signature           |                |      |                |

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) \$750.00

## Complete if Known

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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |                        |          |
| 1001         | 750      | 2001         | 375      | Utility filing fee     |          |
| 1002         | 330      | 2002         | 165      | Design filing          |          |
| 1003         | 520      | 2003         | 260      | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 1004         | 750      | 2004         | 375      | Reissue filing         |          |
| 1005         | 160      | 2005         | 80       | Provisional filing fee |          |
| SUBTOTAL (1) |          |              |          |                        | (\$)     |

#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND

| Extra Claims       |   | Fee from below |                      | Fee Paid                    |
|--------------------|---|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total Claims       | <input type="text"/> -20** = <input type="text"/> 0 | X              | <input type="text"/> | = <input type="text"/> 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | <input type="text"/> - 3** = <input type="text"/> 0 | X              | <input type="text"/> | = <input type="text"/> 0.00 |
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| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |  |
| 1202         | 18       | 2202         | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 1201         | 84       | 2201         | 42       | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 1203         | 280      | 2203         | 140      | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 1204         | 84       | 2204         | 42       | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 1205         | 18       | 2205         | 9        | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) \$0.00

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

### FEE CALCULATION (continued)

#### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|----------|
| Fee Code     | Fee (\$) | Fee Code     | Fee (\$) |  |          |
| 1051         | 130      | 2051         | 65       | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 1052         | 50       | 2052         | 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 1053         | 130      | 1053         | 130      | Non - English specification  |          |
| 1812         | 2,520    | 1812         | 2,520    | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination                            |          |
| 1804         | 920*     | 1804         | 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 1805         | 1,840*   | 1805         | 1,840*   | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 1251         | 110      | 2251         | 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 1252         | 410      | 2252         | 205      | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253         | 930      | 2253         | 465      | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254         | 1,450    | 2254         | 725      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255         | 1,970    | 2255         | 985      | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1401         | 320      | 2401         | 160      | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 1402         | 320      | 2402         | 160      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403         | 280      | 2403         | 140      | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 1451         | 1,510    | 1451         | 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452         | 110      | 2452         | 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453         | 1,300    | 2453         | 650      | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 1501         | 1,300    | 2501         | 650      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 1502         | 470      | 2502         | 235      | Design issue fee   |          |
| 1503         | 630      | 2503         | 315      | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 1460         | 130      | 1460         | 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 1807         | 50       | 1807         | 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(q)                                      |          |
| 1806         | 180      | 1806         | 180      | Submission of Information Disclosure Statement                             |          |
| 8021         | 40       | 8021         | 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809         | 750      | 2809         | 375      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 1810         | 750      | 2810         | 375      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 1801         | 750      | 2801         | 375      | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    | 750.00   |
| 1802         | 900      | 1802         | 900      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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### SUBMITTED BY

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| Signature         |                | Date                              | 8/4/03 |           |                |

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